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RESOLUTION NO. R2012-_____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL
TO EXPRESS A VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE IN THE PIERCE COUNTY
ASSESSOR-TREASURER; AND REQUESTING THAT HE VOLUNTARILY
RESIGN**

WHEREAS, there have been multiple investigations into the actions of Assessor-Treasurer Dale Washam's conduct towards Pierce County employees, and;

WHEREAS, these investigations have recommended corrective action be taken to remedy such inappropriate conduct, and;

WHEREAS, despite these recommendations, Assessor-Treasurer Dale Washam and his Deputy, Alberto Ugas, have not cooperated with other County officials, and continue to take inappropriate actions towards current and former employees of the Assessor-Treasurer's office, and;

WHEREAS, Assessor-Treasurer Washam's actions towards employees in his office is the subject of a federal investigation by the Department of Justice, and;

WHEREAS, these investigations and the costs to defend Pierce County against related legal claims have resulted in significant costs to the Pierce County taxpayers, and;

WHEREAS, Assessor-Treasurer Dale Washam's and Deputy Alberto Ugas' actions and lack of cooperation to defend and resolve outstanding legal claims and protect the County from further legal claims, may result in additional costs to the Pierce County taxpayers;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of Pierce County:

Section 1. The Pierce County Council hereby expresses its vote of no confidence in Pierce County Assessor-Treasurer Dale Washam.

Section 2. The Pierce County Council hereby calls on Assessor-Treasurer Dale Washam to place Deputy Alberto Ugas on administrative leave until all pending investigations and related legal actions concerning his conduct towards employees at the Assessor-Treasurer's office are resolved.

Section 3. The Pierce County Council hereby calls on Assessor-Treasurer Dale Washam to voluntarily resign.